

Appln No. 10/743,638
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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

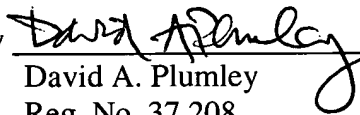
In response to the October 26, 2006 restriction requirement, applicant elects the additive represented by Formula (1a) in which Y is S, X is SO₂, and A is O. For the solvent, applicant elects a mixed solvent comprising one or more cyclic carbonates, one or more linear carbonates, and a halogenated benzene. This election is made without traverse.

Applicant submits that all of original claims 1-18 read on the elected species. New claims 19 and 20 have been added by amendment, and both read on the elected species. Claims 1-18 are generic as to the additive, and claims 1-5, 8-14, and 17-19 are generic as to the solvent.

Applicant has also amended the Cross-Reference to Related Application and claims 1 and 6 to correct typographical errors.

Claims 1-20 remain in this application. Applicant submits that all issues from the October 26, 2006 Office action have been addressed, however, if there are any remaining questions, the examiner is asked to contact applicant's counsel at the number below.

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